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## BATTLE WITH BOES REPORTED AT NATAL

Forces Under Sir George Stewart White Said to Have Advanced on Enemy.

## AN AMERICAN CITIZEN MALTREATED

Orange Free State Active in Seizing Trains and Preparing to Resist the British—Vryburg Believed to Be Very Weakly Defended.

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 12.—(Delayed in transmission.) An American citizen has sworn to an affidavit before the American consul here, in which he states that he has been subjected by the Burglers of the Free State to great ill treatment. His limbs bear marks showing the effects of the treatment he has received.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—An Edinburgh paper, the Scotsman, this morning asserts that a battle has taken place between General Sir George Stewart White, commanding the forces in Natal, and Boers who entered Natal by way of Van Reenen's Pass. General White, the Scotsman says, is very sanguine of the success of the British movements. The foregoing report is considered to be correct, as late last night the war office had news of a British advance from Ladysmith and was hourly expecting further intelligence. A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from its correspondent at Ladysmith, dated at noon Friday says:

A strong mobile column under Sir George Stewart White, accompanied by General Sir Archibald Hunter, proceeded before daybreak this morning towards Action Homes for the purpose of reconnoitering. General White's object was to observe what was going on and also to test the mobility and efficiency of his forces.

The Daily Mail's Cape Town correspondent, telegraphing Friday evening, says:

"I learn on good authority that the Boers are attacking Mafeking. They are reported to have already suffered repulses. It is generally admitted that Vryburg cannot stand a strong Boer attack."

FREE STATE BURGHERS ACTIVE.

GLENCOE, Oct. 12.—(Evening. (Delayed in transmission.) It is reported that the Boers have crossed the border at Ingogo and that the Free State government has taken possession of the railway to Van Reenen and seized the Natal government train.

FIRST BLOODSHED.

Boers Wreck and Shell a Train, Killing Fifteen British Troops.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—The Evening News publishes the following dispatch from Cape Town:

"Armored train has been destroyed south of Mafeking. Fifteen British troops killed. Boers shelled the wreckage after the train was destroyed."

An official dispatch received at the colonial office says:

"Armored train was destroyed near Kraaipan station while on the way to Mafeking with guns."

This dispenses of the fear that many women and children were involved in the disaster.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—A dispatch from Paris late this afternoon says the Boers, with twelve guns, are preparing to assault Mafeking.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—The announcement that Boers destroyed an armored train on the western border of the Transvaal is calculated to bring home to the "man-in-the-street" the realities of war. Attempts are made to liken

withdrawal from Pretoria of Conyngham Greene, British diplomatic agent to the South African republic, and the existence of a state of war between Great Britain and that republic. Mr. Macrum, American consul at Pretoria, has accordingly been instructed to undertake the care of British interests in that section during the war.

### MANIFESTO ISSUED.

Boers Calling Upon all Africa to Witness the Justice of Their Cause.

PRETORIA, Oct. 13.—Via Lorenzo Marquez.—An official manifesto has just been addressed to Afrikaners throughout South Africa appealing to them to resist the "unjust demands of Great Britain," and accusing Lord Salisbury, Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Alfred Milner of treachery. It blames the queen for condoning what it describes as "Chamberlain's criminal policy," and declares that "the clear desire and object of Great Britain is to deprive the Transvaal of independence on account of gold mines of the Rand."

The manifesto says Great Britain offered two alternatives: "Five-year franchise or war," and then goes on to say:

"The difference between the two governments of two years on the franchise question is considered by her majesty's government sufficient justification for an endeavor to swallow two republics." In conclusion, it reminds the Afrikaners that "God will assuredly defend the right."

The manifesto is signed by Reitz, secretary of state. A million copies will be printed in Dutch and English.

MUCH ANXIETY FELT IN LONDON OVER THE BOER ADVANCE.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—A notable change in the position of affairs in the presence of the Boers at Mafeking, 45 miles south of Mafeking, which seems to indicate that they are endeavoring to get Colonel Baden Powell between two fires.

The gravity of the Boer advance can be better estimated when it is realized that they will thereby cut the railway and telegraphic communication to the north, isolating several British positions which must be speedily relieved.

Despite optimistic reports of the ability of Mafeking to repel attack, the greatest anxiety prevails here regarding the situation there, as it is known the redoubtable commandant, Cronje, who captured the Jameson raiders, has the strongest force yet put into the field, with the exception of Commandant General Joubert's force.

Cronje's troops number between 9000 and 10,000 men. The position in Natal has not materially changed.

HAVE THEIR "AUNTIES" TOO.

Objections in Canada to the Assistance Offered the Mother Country.

TORONTO, Ontario, Oct. 13.—A special from Ottawa to the Mail says:

The ministerial situation created by the Transvaal incident has about resolved itself into this: That if the government sends a Canadian contingent to South Africa, J. Israel Tarte will resign. The minister of public works has already made it pretty plain in his newspaper publications and speeches that he regarded the participation of Canada in any one of England's foreign entanglements, as he is pleased to term the trouble, as a phase of imperialism that Quebec liberals will not tolerate.

Today he spoke out in council to the same effect, and with the result that another day's delay is added to the long period of government inaction which is creating discontent at home and disgust in the mother country.

CONFESSED THE MURDER.

An Oregon Wretch Acknowledges His Crime.

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—S. C. Gillespie, who was arrested about two weeks ago at Junction City on the charge of having robbed and murdered Mrs. Edson, a lady nearly 80 years old, at Gold Beach, Curry county, has made a confession.

Gillespie says he compelled her to give up \$11.75 and a pension check, and then because she said she had no more money he strangled her and poured coal oil over the body and set the house on fire. He is now in jail at Coquille City.

UNITED STATES NOTIFIED.

State Department Directs American Consuls to Take Care of British Interests.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—State department was today notified of the

## MORE FILIPINO ATROCITIES HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED

Bodies of Several American Prisoners Found Gagged and Shot.

## CHEATHAM ROUTES A NATIVE FORCE

Three Americans Killed and Five Wounded—Earthquake at Manila—Native Plot Frustrated—Friars Concealing Arms.

MANILA, Oct. 13.—Major Cheatham, with a scouting party, while proceeding along the west shore of the lake yesterday encountered a force of rebels strongly entrenched at Mintinlupa. Major Cheatham reports that he drove the rebels from their position and that in the engagement three Americans were killed and two were wounded.

MANILA, Oct. 13.—Rumors are in circulation in Manila that Major Cheatham discovered three American prisoners who had been bound, gagged and shot by the insurgents. These rumors, however, are not confirmed. One Sandago, a native policeman, has been arrested and lodged in jail, his subordinates having reported to the authorities that he was endeavoring to enlist them in a plot to turn the police against Americans in the event of an uprising.

Reports having reached the provost marshal that arms were concealed at the headquarters of dominican friars, a large building adjoining the palace, a detachment of soldiers made a search of the building. They found a small stock of rifles, revolvers and ammunition, which was confiscated despite the protests of the friars that the arms were not intended for unlawful use.

General Schwan with infantry has reached Bacoor. The troops are greatly exhausted, having had one of the hardest marches of the campaign. From Malabon to Perez des Marinas.

Two strong shocks of earthquake lasting several seconds were felt in Manila at 10 o'clock this evening.

McKINLEY AT FARGO.

The President Received With Wild Demonstrations.

FARGO, North Dakota, Oct. 13.—Over 10,000 people greeted President McKinley and his party when they arrived here tonight at 7:30.

Entering carriages, the party was driven to the reviewing stand through a line of First Dakota volunteers, who recently returned from the Philippines. The president was received with wild demonstrations. At 9:30 o'clock the presidential train departed for Aberdeen, South Dakota.

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